



Robert Leon Peevy

June 6, 2012

Mr. Robert Leon Peevy, age 63, died June 6th, 2012, in Laurel, MD, after a 5-½ year battle with cancer. He was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Hazel Smith Peevy and his grandparents Robert Lee and Fannie Peevy as well as his maternal grandparents Ruby Reed and Clifton Smith; sister Patricia Peevy Timms Mr. Peevy is survived by his Aunt and Uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Copeland Smith (Burnettie); brothers and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Pope (Ruby), Mr. Tommy Peevy, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Barker (Sue Ellen), Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Locke (Melinda), Mr. and Mrs. Bob Addice (Phoebe); nieces and nephews, Valerie Bullock, Vonda Flinchum, Dennis Timms, Dinah Flinchum, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Leach (Christi Peevy), Mr. and Mrs. Greg and Sabrina Peevy, Ms. Amanda Gravitt (Gary Dollar); Mrs. Toni Barker Borlas; Mr. Dyer Barker III; Mr. W. Carey Locke and Mr. R. Corbin Locke, Miss Erin Addice, Master Paul Addice; great-nieces Miss Chelsea Dollar and Miss Madison Dollar; and great nephews Master Ryan Leach, Master Cade Leach, Master Isaac Borlas, Master Braden Dollar, Master Lane Peevy, Master Blake Peevy, and Master Cody Peevy. Leon graduated from North Gwinnett High School in 1967 and attended Gainesville College. He then began his professional career at Wrigley's in Flowery Branch. From there he went to work at Oxford Chemical in Chamblee. He then went to work for Monarch Foods which transferred him to San Francisco and, later, to Boston, MA. Leon then went to Atlanta for a few years and then was assigned to Boston again. Eventually, he began to work for Sysco Corporation, also in Boston. He was

eventually transferred to Houston, TX. Leon worked for Sysco over 25 as a salesman and in product development. He only retired after he received his cancer diagnosis. During his time in Houston, he also owned and managed a 16-unit apartment building. Upon retirement, Leon liquidated his assets and relocated to Laurel, MD, to live with his sister Melinda Peevy Locke and her family. He made this his home for over four years. His interests were reading, travel, and cooking. He was such a good cook that he was considered a gourmet chef in some circles. He also enjoyed fine scotch. If you were lucky enough to have Leon as a friend, you know how faithful a friend he was. His loving family will miss him most as he had a very generous heart and loving ways. Missed and loved by all - he was a faithful friend, a loving brother, and had a kind and generous spirit. Funeral services will be held June 12th, 2012, at 2pm, at Flanagan Funeral Home, Buford, GA, with Reverend Copeland Smith and Reverend Eddie McCright officiating. The burial will take place at Hopewell Christian Church, Lawrenceville, GA, immediately following the service. Visitation will be from 6pm to 9pm, Monday, June 11th; and from 10am to 1pm on June 12th. Floral gifts would be appreciated, however, in lieu of flowers contributions can be made to the Gilchrist Hospice Care, 6336 Cedar Lane, Columbia, MD 21046; tel. 443 283 2700.

Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Leon Peevy*

November 08, 2022 at 07:37 PM



“ *Leon was my friend and mentor who I was fortunate to meet while working for Sysco. He was one of the kindest persons I have ever met. I stayed in touch with Leon after he retired from Sysco. When he first left Sysco, he thought he only had a few months to live. Those few months lasted into years and allowed him to travel and do all of the things that he dreamed of doing (including flying on the Concorde to Paris)! I am amazed that with all of the family and friends that he had, that he still made the time to talk to me on the phone. He gave me countless advice about career decisions and helped me navigate through the corporate world in a respectable way. I last spoke to Leon in October of 2011. I know that all of his family knows how wonderful he was. Now they know how wonderful he was to me. I will miss him.*

Matt Burke - September 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *May you find peace and comfort from the scriptures (2 Co 1:3,4).*

M Harris - June 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *My heart is with you in your time of mourning (John 11: 32-35).*

M Harris - June 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ I was stunned to hear of Leons passing. I knew him over a span of 15 years at Sysco when he was involved in the Chemical Department and he was always a bubbly person. I was just a vendor.. Even in his recent struggle he brought forth this radiant positive outlook and presented that to the world.. What strength.. Leon, I will miss your great example and modelling of what humans are capable of. Rest my Friend....

Chris Benning - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VK

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your beloved brother Leon. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time.

Vickie Kinney - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ To Ruby and all the family. I am in prayer for you all. I remember Leon from Camp and we always had a good time. He was a great person. I know he will be missed. May God comfort his family and friends.

Tony Sullivan - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Leon was my friend and co-worker at Sysco for over 25 years. During that time we worked hard and played even harder. Leon was very passionate about a few things: First and foremost, His family - I have enjoyed so many family stories from Leon's childhood and we enjoyed many laughs together. He truly cherished his family. His friends - If you were a friend of Leons, it was a lifelong friendship. His work - Leon took so much pride in his company and his job and earned quite a name in the industry as an expert in his field. His appreciation for the finer things in life - What a class act with impeccable taste! Leon loved life and he lived it with grace and charm.

Tommy, Ruby, Sue Ellen, Melinda and Phoebe, I am so sorry that I couldn't attend the service, but you all are in my thoughts and prayers and if there is anything at all that I can do for you here, just holler. Peace be with you. Mary Lee

Mary Lee Boddie - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I am sorry to hear about his passing. Your family will be in my prayers during this time.

Regards,

Betsy Marshall

Betsy Marshall - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ *The Peever.....What an awesome guy!! If you look up the word friend in Websters, it will have a picture of Leon. Leon and I go back over 25 years working together at SYSCO. At one point we were the only two people covering the entire country. A seemingly impossible task. But not to Leon. He was a professional . The customer always came first and his award winning success in sales and Marketing was a natural result of his tireless efforts. However, Leon did make room for a little fun. Everyday if he could. What a laugh he had! What about some of those funny expressions he did with his eyes?? How did he do that when people were not looking? On one of our road trips I made the mistake of getting into a scotch drinking contest with him. Very bad idea!!! I lost. He was a professional at that too. However, we did solve many Global issues that evening many of which, he recently reminded me are still in place. Leon was the kind of person that knew and remembered more things about your family than you do. That was just the way he was wired. He Cared. Another trait that set him apart was the fact if Leon gave you his word on something, You could consider it done. A quality that is very hard to find in people today. Leon will be greatly missed but I think we need to thank the Lord for having him cross our paths. It has been said by some that the only thing a person can leave behind in this life is influence that they have had on others that they came in contact with along the way. It will be positive or negative. Leon made many positive contributions on countless friends and family and those positive things are what we need to hang on to. I have also heard and I think this to be true. When a person looks back and reflects on their life they will be lucky to count on one hand the names of 5 true friends that they have had over the years. I guess that is why many of us feel we have just lost one of those fingers...We will miss you Peever RIP LETT aka Neckbone*

Randy Lett - June 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Dearest Peevy Family - you all were so blessed to have such a wonderful brother, uncle, friend in your family. I am a friend from Sysco, and so enjoyed Leon. He always had a smile on his face, and talked about his wonderful family these past few years. I'll never forget after he moved back to Baltimore, he came back to have lunch with his buddies in Houston, and apparently there was a mix up of places to go....and myself and another friend got to see him at LUBY'S! He joined us, and I am so grateful to have spend that time with him. Also, I was fortunate enough to have eaten some of his good ol cooking with Melinda and her family with Marcelyn. You are all in my thoughts and prayers, God Bless you all as you go through the loss of such a dear loved one.

Gerry Blanchette - June 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ I worked with Leon at the Corporate office for many years and can say that I never saw him in a bad mood. Always happy and quick to offer an encouraging word. Please accept my condolences, he was a good man and will be missed.

Greg Gonzales - June 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ So very sorry to learn of Leon's passing. We worked together at Sysco in Houston for many years. He made a tremendous contribution to the chemical products program. Always enjoyed Leon's ready smile and great sense of humor. It did not go unnoticed how he handled his cancer battle with dignity and grace. Leon will surely be missed by all who knew him and worked with him.

Richard Cottrell - June 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ Leon,
You will be missed by all.
Terminix

Nick & Cheryl Nicklas - June 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Thinking of Leon always would put a smile on my face. As I prepared to send him off to his East Coast Family, we had lots of laughs and silliness. My favorite day was the time we set off for lunch with Leon in his red satin basketball shorts and high socks, my eyes wide open, and Leon without a thought about it! We will miss you, Leon.

Carol Brooks - June 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ So sorry to hear of your loss.

Don and Sherry Mathews - June 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Ruby,
Our thoughts are prayers and thoughts are with you.

Ed and Eddie Booth - June 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FS

“ Our sincere condolences on your loss. We know what an important part of your life and heart Leon is, and we hope he rests in the Lord's peace.

Fiona, Gabriel and Alexandre Locke Suchodolski - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Leon, you will always be remembered as a special friend and a bonifide gentleman. We enjoyed being able to keep you safe during Hurrican Ike and help you discover what Central Texas really was all about. You were a superb house guest. I loved the fact you celebrated our daughters weddings with us and will always remember your thoughtfulness.

Now I will have to figure out how to cut down on my date nut bar recipe! I know you enjoyed them and was happy to make them for you!

You left us in such a hurry we didn't get to say goodbye. I will always regret that but know you are now finally at peace.

Goodbye my friend,

Dorothy & Wayne Moldovan

Dorothy Moldovan - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Melinda,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I will keep you and your family in my prayers during this time of bereavement. If I can do anything for you, please let me know.

Mary Ann Washington - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Leon was a friend of mine and I always enjoyed his quick humor. We worked together at Sysco Corp for years and had a bunch of laughs. I will miss him.

Jeff J

Jeff Jackson - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ I knew Leon for over thirty years. We both worked for Sysco during that time period. He was a good friend. His knowledge of the chemical business was legendary. Please accept my condolences. He will surely be missed.

Joe Gannon
Sysco Boston

Joe Gannon - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ My sincere condolences to Leon's family who he loved so much. He was an adorable friend and will be greatly missed.

Cheryl Bond - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this very difficult time.
Love, Joanne S.

Joanne Shelton - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Leon was such a good friend and neighbor to us during the years he lived in Houston, and we will miss him terribly. We had so many good times and we will cherish those memories greatly!

Rick Smith and Tom Meade

Rick Smith and Tom Meade - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Leon was a very dear friend to me. He was one of the first friends I had here at Sysco when I started 22 years ago. I so enjoyed our weekly lunches to Luby's on Monday and Fry's Grill on Friday (we always joked about putting the top down and heading to Galveston after lunch on Friday's when it was a sunny day instead of going back to work). I am from a family of 9 so we had so many stories we shared of our siblings and of growing up in the country (I feel like I know your entire family personally - he loved you all dearly). I enjoyed many dinner parties with Leon - I would be so stuffed I could not eat the entire next day. The last dinner I enjoyed with Leon I was on a business trip to Maryland and he insisted on picking up me and my friend Gerry at our hotel taking us to Melinda's to cook steaks and enjoy good wine (always had good wine and food with Leon). When he was at Sysco we also enjoyed making chocolate covered cherries together during the holidays. He will be greatly missed and was a wonderful person and friend. My thoughts are with your family.

Marcelyn Burt - June 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM